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Date Allowed: **June 25, 2009****OHASHI, Tatsuya, et al.**Group Art Unit: **1641**Serial No.: **10/538,912**Examiner: **GRUN, James Leslie**Filed: **June 13, 2005****P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 9528**For. **IMMUNOASSAY METHOD AND KIT TO BE USED THEREIN****REQUEST FOR RETURN OF FORM PTO-1449**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 9, 2009

Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement was filed on **June 13, 2005**. A copy of this Information Disclosure Statement is attached.

The PTO-1449 from this Information Disclosure Statement was returned with the Office action dated February 5, 2008, but three of the references, AC, AE and AL, were lined through to indicate they were not considered. No explanation was given as to why these three references were not considered.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Information Disclosure Statement was proper and these references should have been considered.

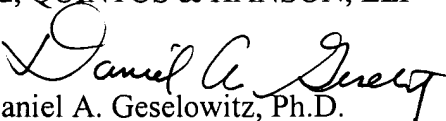
It is respectfully requested that the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO-1449 which accompanies the Information Disclosure Statement, marked to indicate that the references listed therein have been considered by the Office.

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The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should he have any questions concerning this Request.

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Sir:

In compliance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants call to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 and cited in the enclosed international search report. References AA and AC-AH are cited in the international search report. References AI-AW are discussed in the specification.

A copy of each of the references, except for the U.S. patent, JP 60-501674 and JP 63-30766, is enclosed herewith.

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